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Title : Method of Synchronous Serial Communication and System  
for Synchronous Serial Communication

**AMENDMENT**

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The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in response to the Office Action dated March 29, 2005.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 15 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page 25 of this paper and include attached replacement sheets.

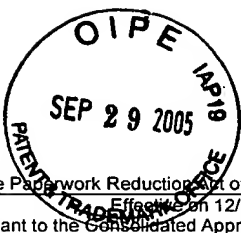
**Amendments to the Abstract** begin on page 26 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 27 of this paper.

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☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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Application Type	FILING FEES		SEARCH FEES		EXAMINATION FEES		Fees Paid (\$)
	Small Entity	Fee (\$)	Small Entity	Fee (\$)	Small Entity	Fee (\$)	
Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100	
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	

#### 2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES

##### Fee Description

Fee Description	Small Entity	Fee (\$)
Each claim over 20 or, for Reissues, each claim over 20 and more than in the original patent	50	25
Each independent claim over 3 or, for Reissues, each independent claim more than in the original patent	200	100
Multiple dependent claims	360	180

Total Claims	Extra claims	Fees(\$)	Fee Paid (\$)
25	-20 or HP	5 x 50	= 250

HP = highest number of total claims paid for, if greater than 20

Indep. Claims	Extra claims	Fees(\$)	Fee Paid (\$)
5	- 3 or HP	0 x 0	=

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#### 4. OTHER FEES

	Fee Paid (\$)
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Other: Three Month Petition for Extension of Time	1,020
Information Disclosure Statement fee	180

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